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Dear Harold,

Happy New Year. I took some time off from UPI, partly to be home for the holidays and partly to work on the book. My mother<sup>is</sup> 86, diabetic, essentially blind, and physically feeble yet mentally alert -- came up for the holidays and then fell down our stairs, fracturing her pelvis, which was a setback for everybody concerned. But she is coming home from the hospital tomorrow.

I finally got down to Jim Lesar's place today and found the Evening Star-FBI correspondence, with Jim and Mark's kind help. As I understand it, ~~Hoover~~ wanted to clear the FBI name and found the best way to do it was to write a letter for Sid Epstein's signature, requesting the release of the information clearing up the apparent inconsistency between the FBI and the autopsy finding. I have finished a second draft of the chapter involving the suppression of the Washington Post editorial (it is part of a larger section, also involving the suppression of other news stories, including the Bay of Pigs misadventure). When I get that together, I will send it up to you.

My mother will now have to stay another couple of weeks, which may complicate any kind of social activity for us, including getting together with you and Lil. I hope this finds you both in good health.

Hope to see you soon.

Best regards,

Jim Anderson

P.S. I'm about to sit down to the Oswald-security clearance piece. Still mulling it over.